

May 25, 2022

The Public Service Commission convened in the Commission Hearing Room, State Capitol, Bismarck, North Dakota, on May 25, 2022, 10:01 a.m. Present were Commissioners Fedorchak, Christmann and Haugen-Hoffart.

Minutes

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the minutes of May 4, 2022, be approved.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-22-86
Badger Wind, LLC
251.6 MW Badger Wind Project -
Logan & McIntosh
Siting Application

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Case No. PU-22-176
Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.
2021 Gas
Annual Report

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the Commission close Montana-Dakota Utilities, Co., 2021 Gas, Annual Report, Case No. PU-22-176.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-22-177
Great Plains Natural Gas Co.
2021 Gas
Annual Report

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the Commission close Great Plains Natural Gas Co., 2021 Gas, Annual Report, Case No. PU-22-177.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-22-182
Northern States Power Company
2021 Gas
Annual Report

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the Commission close Northern States Power Company, 2021 Gas, Annual Report, Case No. PU-22-182.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Compliance Division
Auctioneer and Auction Clerk Update

Ms. Fedorchak I move the Commission acknowledge the issuance of the following new auction licenses, which became effective during the month of April 2022.

AUCTIONEER LICENSE

Auctioneer Name	Location	Effective Date
Christian Miller	Fargo, ND	4/9/2022
Chance Glass	Hebron, ND	4/13/2022
Alexander Well	Watford City, ND	4/19/2022
Jory Boote	Binford, ND	4/24/2022

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Blaster Certification/Re-Certification
Approval

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the Commission to approve blaster certification/re-certification for the following applicants:

Applicant	Affiliation	Certificate No.
Eric Zempel	Freedom Mine	13-06-353-R(3)
Dwight Hatzenbuehler	Freedom Mine	16-08-385-R(2)
John Schaaf	Freedom Mine	16-08-389-R(2)
Eric Kuntz	Freedom Mine	16-11-392-R(2)
Joseph Grammond	Freedom Mine	19-08-419-R(1)
Cody Kroll	Falkirk Mine	22-04-431
Jordan Bullinger	Freedom Mine	22-04-432
Dillon Cardwell	Freedom Mine	22-04-433
Quinten Ferebee	Freedom Mine	22-04-434
Jesse Gutknecht	Freedom Mine	22-04-435
Deen Johnson	Freedom Mine	22-04-436
Logan Lang	Freedom Mine	22-04-437
Shannon McKay	Freedom Mine	22-04-438
Chris Owens	Freedom Mine	22-04-439
Travis Hellickson	Freedom Mine	22-04-440

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. GS-21-442
Public Service Commission
Pipeline Safety
Rulemaking

Ms. Fedorchak: Having been approved by the Attorney General, I move the Commission adopt the proposed amendment to Section 69-09-03-02 of the North Dakota Administrative Code, and forward the rule to the Legislative Council, in Case No. GS-21-442.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-21-373
Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.
Financial Incentive - Power Purchase
Agreement
Rates

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the Commission issue an application fee refund in the amount of \$8,096.90 in Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., Financial Incentive – Power Purchase Agreement, Rates, Case No. PU-21-373.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-22-27
Otter Tail Power Company
Purchased Assets of Ashtabula Wind
III, LLC
Public Convenience & Necessity

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the Commission issue an application fee refund in the amount of \$9,620.74 in Otter Tail Power Company, Purchased Assets of Ashtabula Wind III, LLC, Public Convenience & Necessity, Case No. PU-22-27.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-21-452
Montana-Dakota Utilities Co.
Gas Service Extension Policy
Tariff

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the Commission adopt the Order in Montana-Dakota Utilities Co., Gas Service Extension Policy, Tariff, Case No. PU-21-452.

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-22-86
Badger Wind, LLC
251.6 MW Badger Wind Project -
Logan & McIntosh
Siting Application

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the Commission deem complete the application for a certificate of site compatibility conditioned on receipt at least 30 days prior to the hearing of the final site layout plan, including updated Figures 1 through 11 of the application with the associated GIS shapefiles and all updated studies, including updated sound, shadow flicker, and telecommunications studies in Badger Wind, LLC, 251.6 MW Badger Wind Project – Logan & McIntosh, Siting Application, Case No. PU-22-86.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-22-191
Public Service Commission
Telecommunications Relay Service
Misc. Case

Mr. Christmann: I move the Commission publish notice of the 2022-2023 Telecommunications Relay Service Surcharge in the daily newspapers of general circulation in the state of North Dakota, Public Service Commission, Telecommunications Relay Service, Miscellaneous Case, Case No. PU-22-191.

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-22-87
Otter Tail Power Company
Generation Resource Cost Recovery
Rates

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I move the Commission adopt the Order in Otter Tail Power Company, Generation Resource Cost Recovery, Rates, Case No. PU-22-87.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-22-180
Northern States Power Company
Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI)
Tariff and Rates

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I move the Commission suspend the tariff and rates, reduce the application fee to \$10,000 and issue a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing in Northern States Power Company, Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI), Tariff and Rates, Case No. PU-22-180.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-22-185
Northern States Power Company
Competitive Response Rider (CRR)
Tariff and Rates

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I move the Commission suspend the tariff and rates, reduce the application fee to \$10,000, and issue a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing in Northern States Power Company, Competitive Response Rider (CRR), Tariff and Rates, Case No. PU-22-185.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-22-186
Northern States Power Company
Electric Bill Credit Rider (BCR)
Tariff and Rates

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I move the Commission suspend the tariff and rates and issue a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing in Northern States Power Company, Electric Bill Credit Rider (BCR), Tariff and Rates, Case No. PU-22-186.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. PU-22-190
Otter Tail Power Company
General Rules and Regulations
Tariff and Rates

Ms. Haugen-Hoffart: I move the Commission suspend the tariff and rates, reduce the application fee to \$10,000 and issue a Notice of Opportunity for Hearing in Otter Tail Power Company, General Rules and Regulations, Tariff and Rates, Case No. PU-22-190.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

Case No. GS-22-167
Public Service Commission
Windsong Custom Homes
Damage Prevention Enforcement

Ms. Fedorchak: I move the Commission appoint Brian Johnson and Konrad Crockford as advocacy staff effective May 9, 2022, in Public Service Commission, Windsong Custom Homes, Damage Prevention Enforcement, Case No. GS-22-167.

Mr. Christmann: I second the motion.

Roll Call: All voting "Aye."

ATTEST

THE COMMISSION ADJOURNED AT 11:38 A.M.


Executive Secretary


JULIE FEDORCHAK, CHAIR